

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A portable terminal unit comprising:

a first housing having at least a main operation section;

a second housing having at least a single, main display section displaying screens according to the operation of said main operation section;

wherein both of said housings are coupled together to move between an opened state and a closed state so that said main operation section is covered with said second housing in the closed state and is exposed outside in the opened state, and said main display section is exposed outside in both of the closed state and the opened state,

an auxiliary operation section ~~being able to operate to the screens displayed on said display section, and~~ comprising at least one key provided on a surface other than surfaces, which are opposed to each other of said both housings in the closed state including other than said main display section,

wherein said auxiliary operation section is inoperative at least in the opened state ~~but~~ and operative only in the closed state to at least one of navigate and view information displayed on the main display section in the closed state.

2. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 1,

comprising:

a state detecting section for detecting the opened/closed state of said first housing and said second housing; and

a lock control section for rendering said auxiliary operation section operative or inoperative based on a detection result from the state detecting section.

3. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 2,

wherein said auxiliary operation section is operative by said lock control section when said state detecting section detects that both of said housings are in the closed state, and

said auxiliary operation section is inoperative by said lock control section when said detecting section detects that both of said housings are in other states than the closed state.

4. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 2,

wherein said auxiliary operation section is inoperative by said lock control section when said state detecting section detects that both of said housings are in the opened state, and

said auxiliary operation section is operative by said lock control section when said state detecting section detects that both of said housings are in other states than the opened state.

5. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 1, wherein said portable terminal unit is a mobile radiotelephone.

6. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 1, wherein said portable terminal unit is a personal digital assistant.

7. (Currently Amended) A portable terminal unit comprising:

a first housing having at least a main operation section;

a second housing subjected to be superimposed on said first housing so as to cover said main operation section in a closed state;

a single, main display section displaying screens according to the operation of said main operation section, and provided on ~~one of said first housing and said~~ second housing;

a coupling section for coupling to rotate both of said housings that relatively rotate around an axis extending in a superimposed direction of said two housings;

an auxiliary operation section ~~being able to operate to the screens displayed on said main display section, and~~ comprising at least one key provided on a surface other than surfaces, which are opposed to each other, of said both housings in the closed state including other than said main display section,

wherein said at least one key is inoperative at least in an opened state ~~but~~ and operative only in the closed state and wherein the both of said housings relatively rotate 180° from the closed state.

8. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 7, comprising:

a state detecting section for detecting the opened/closed state of said first housing and said second housing; and

a lock control section for rendering said at least one key operative or inoperative based on a detection result from the state detecting section.

9. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 8,

wherein said key or said at least one key is operative by said lock control section when said state detecting section detects that both of said housings are in the closed state, and

said key or said at least one key is inoperative by said lock control section when said detecting section detects that both of said housings are in other states than the closed state.

10. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 8,

wherein said at least one key is inoperative by said lock control section when said state detecting section detects that both of said housings are in the opened state, and

said at least one key is operative by said lock control section when said state detecting section detects that both of said housings are in other states than the opened state.

11. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 7,

wherein the second housing has a display section on its surface faced in same direction as a direction of a surface having said main operation section.

12. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 7,

wherein said auxiliary operation section has a first key provided on a side surface of said first housing and a second key provided on a side surface of said second housing.

13. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 7, wherein said portable terminal unit is a mobile radiotelephone.

14. (Original) The portable terminal unit according to claim 7, wherein said portable terminal unit is a personal digital assistant.

15. (New) A portable terminal comprising:

- a first housing having a main display section;
- a second housing coupled to the first housing and having main keys for the main display section; and
- an auxiliary section for the main display section;

wherein the first housing is movable relative to the second housing between a closed a position, in which the main keys are covered by the first housing, and an opened position, in which the main keys are exposed to an outside;

wherein in the opened position the main display section and the auxiliary section for the main display section are both exposed to the outside, and in the closed position the main display section and the auxiliary section for the main display section are both exposed to the outside; and

wherein when the first housing is moved from the closed position to the opened position, the main display section is kept active while the auxiliary section for the main display section is switched from the active to inactive.

16. (New) The portable terminal according to claim 15, wherein the main display section is a single display unit.